

SANGMYUNG UNIVERSITY (SEOUL CAMPUS)

2027-1 FACT SHEET EXCHANGE STUDENT PROGRAM

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IMPORTANT DATES

Nomination/Application Deadline	Nov. 23, 2026
Acceptance Letter Sent By	Dec. 30, 2026
Arrival Date (no later than)	Feb. 25, 2027
Mandatory Orientation	Feb. 26, 2027
First Day of Classes	Mar. 2, 2027
Last Day of Classes	Jun. 22, 2027 (subject to change)
Transcript Available From	July 12, 2027

* Students must leave Korea within one month of the last day of classes.

Please note that the above dates are subject to slight changes depending on university regulations.

APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS

1. Undergraduate student at a partner university who has completed at least two semesters at the home university before applying
2. Minimum GPA of 2.6 on a 4.0 scale
3. Minimum TOPIK level 3 (Please consult the SMU coordinator regarding possible exceptions)

NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE

International students are required to enroll in the Korean National Health Insurance. Coverage becomes effective from the date the Residence Card is issued. It generally takes about one month for the Residence Card to be issued. Students are strongly advised to obtain additional insurance coverage from their home country for the period before National Health Insurance coverage begins, or for the entire period of their stay.

HOUSING AND MEALS

International Student Housing costs

Cost per semester (from first to last day of classes; additional charges may apply if a student wishes to stay until departure date)

Single room:	KRW 1,564,000
Double room:	KRW 1,100,000
Triple room:	KRW 944,000
Quadruple room:	KRW 870,000

Check-in date: Feb. 25, 2027, 9:00-17:00 (not available at 12:00-13:00); students must check in on this date only.

Facilities include a single bed, desk, chair, closet, refrigerator, table, shared shoe rack, bathroom, laundry room.

Bedding is not provided; utilities are included

* The above rates are based on 2026-2 semester and may increase in 2027-I.

** **Housing is not guaranteed**, and students will be assigned depending on availability. (The housing office will do its best to accommodate student preferences.) Students must find their own housing if no space is available.

*** Students are required to submit negative tuberculosis test result (issued within three months prior to check-in) and proof of at least two MMR vaccinations upon check-in. Documents must be in English or Korean only.

Housing website: <https://dormitory.smu.ac.kr/dormi/index.do>

Housing for international students: https://dormitory.smu.ac.kr/dormi/facilities/villa_house.do

Please note that the actual dormitory may differ from the photos shown on the website

Meals

There is no meal plan, but students may use the on-campus cafeteria for lunch. Meals on campus cost roughly KRW 6,000.

There are several restaurants near the campus and students may also shop for groceries online.

There is a kitchen in each housing unit for cooking but cooking utensils are not provided.

ESTIMATED COST

Student housing (double room)	KRW 1,100,000
Meals	KRW 4,000,000
Books and supplies	KRW 300,000
Insurance	KRW 500,000
Personal expenses	KRW 1,600,000

Total estimated cost per semester: KRW 7,500,000

Financial document requirement: USD 5,000 for one semester, USD 10,000 for two semesters

BUDDY PROGRAM

All international students are encouraged to participate in the Buddy Program. The program connects international students with individual Korean SMU students or groups of SMU students who provide support and participate in activities together throughout the semester.

AIRPORT PICKUP

Airport pickup service will be available, and detailed pickup information will be provided after admission. If you plan to use the pickup service, please do not purchase your flight ticket until you receive the pickup information. Pickup will most likely be available only on Feb. 25, at 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. If you are unable to arrive in time for one of the scheduled pickups or choose not to use the service, please arrange your own transportation to Sangmyung University.

APPLICATION

All official documents and supplementary materials must arrive at SMU by the deadline **WITHOUT EXCEPTION – Nov. 23, 2026.**

Applications will not be processed if any required document is missing.

Home University Coordinator: Please ensure that all student documents are complete and arranged in the order shown on the checklist before gathering and sending them to SMU. Email submission of the Signed Personal Information Collection and Utilization Authorization Form by the home university coordinator will be regarded as the nomination. Nominees must be within the annually agreed number of exchange semesters. The total number of exchange students allowed includes students applying to the Cheonan Campus.

Students must submit:

1. Signed Personal Information Collection and Utilization Authorization Form (to be collected and sent by email by home university coordinator)
2. [Online application form](#)
This link will become available on Nov. 2, 2026.
3. Original supplementary documents by post (see ADDRESS above; home university coordinator may collect and send the applicants' documents together in one package – **must arrive at SMU before the application deadline**)

Supplementary files

0. Signed Checklist
1. Personal Information Collection and Utilization Authorization Form
2. Passport Copy
3. Financial statement in English (must be an official bank statement in student's name, issued within 30 days prior to application submission) – minimum USD 5,000 for 1 semester, USD 10,000 for 2 semesters
4. Proof of Korean language proficiency: TOPIK Level 3 or higher
5. Home University Certificate of Enrollment in English

Students from <u>non</u> -OECD countries	Students from China
CoE must be accompanied by one of the following: 1. Apostille certification 2. Authentication by a Korean consular office in the country of the home university	CHSI official proof of enrollment https://www.chsi.com.cn/

* Students from OECD countries may submit the official CoE issued by Home University.

6. Official Transcript

7. Handwritten Study Plan
8. Passport photo (with the student's name written on the back in pen)

** Please make sure that both the **online application** and **the original supplementary documents** have been submitted in order for the application to be considered complete

PROGRAMS

- The exchange program is offered in Korean only. Courses taught in English are not available.
- Students may take 12 to 18 credits per semester.
- The student's major at SMU will be determined by the SMU coordinator based on the student's major at the home university.
- Students may not request letter grades (A–F) for courses offered on a Pass/Fail basis.
- ☞ **Recommendation**
 - Students with TOPIK Levels 4 or 5 are generally expected to be better prepared to follow courses at Sangmyung University. It is strongly recommended that students have at least TOPIK level 3 to study at Sangmyung University.
 - For students without an official TOPIK score, the home university coordinator must consult with the SMU coordinator on a case-by-case basis.

Departments

Students may take courses in the following fields unless restrictions are imposed by the instructor.

- SEOUL CAMPUS

Faculty of Humanities and Cultural Content

Historical Content Major

Library and Information Science Major

Faculty of Space and Environment Studies

Faculty of Public Administration

Department of Family Welfare

Department of National Security

Department of Korean Education

Department of English Education

Department of Education

Department of Mathematics Education

Faculty of Economics and Finance

Faculty of Business Administration

Department of Global Business Administration

Department of Interdisciplinary Management

Faculty of Artificial Intelligence and Data Engineering

Human Centered AI Major

Financial Technology Major

Big Data Convergence Major

Smart Manufacturing Major

Faculty of SW Convergence

Computer Science Major

Electrical Engineering Major

Intelligence IOT Convergence Major

Game Design and Development Major

Animation Major

Korea-Japan Cultural Content Major
Faculty of Biological and Chemical Engineering
Biotechnology Major
Chemistry and Energy Engineering Major
Chemical Engineering and Materials Science Major
Faculty of Foodservice and Fashion
Foodservice Management and Nutrition Major
Fashion and Textiles Major
Faculty of Sports and Dance
Sports and Health Care Major
Dance Arts Major
Faculty of Art and Design
Fine Arts and Art Theory Major
Living Art and Design Major
Faculty of Music

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Sangmyung University reserves the right to postpone or cancel the exchange program due to university circumstances.